

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Although it is not clear to applicant that the restriction requirement made by the Examiner pursuant to MPEP 821.03 is proper, applicant hereby cancels withdrawn claims 1-3, 6-10, and 22 in order to expedite the allowance of the remaining claims. Applicant intends to continue prosecuting the subject matter of the canceled claims in a timely filed continuation or divisional application.

Instead of canceling claim 18, applicant proposes amending it to the form that the Examiner indicated to be allowable in the Office Action mailed March 3, 2005 (i.e., rewritten in independent form including the limitations of originally presented claim 1). Its continued presence and allowance in this application is respectfully requested.

Applicant has made some minor amendments to allowed claims 4, 5, 11, 12, and 19, replacing "including" with the synonymous "comprising" for consistency and custom. These amendments place the claims in better condition for issuance, and should not be objectionable to the Examiner.

The application is accordingly believed to be in condition for allowance, and such is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to call Applicant's undersigned attorney at 231-932-9752 with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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